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# THREE AMERICAN ARMIES ADVANCE IN WEST

# 845 NAZI PLANES DESTROYED BY ALLIES

## Luftwaffe Gets Knockout Blow On West Front

German Air Force Is Regarded as Almost Powerless

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Tuesday, April 17 (P)—At least 845 German planes were destroyed yesterday by Allied fighters in a cataclysmic blow against the Nazi air force and last night an observer commented, "the Luftwaffe has been knocked out."

At the same time Gen. Carl A. Spaatz issued a special order of the day saying the strategic air war against Germany had ended victoriously and that hereafter United States heavy bombers would be used for tactical operations.

### 6,000 Planes Attack

More than 6,000 Allied planes joined in the mighty daylight assault on the enemy, and the German radio reported the air attacks were being continued through the night by both Russian and British bombers. The "Achtung" warning service said Berlin had been raided three times before midnight.

Approximately 2,000 fighter pilots participated in the history-making blast against Germany's boarded frontline planes, splintering 812 of them on the ground and shooting thirty-three others from the sky.

Upwards of forty enemy airfields in the Pilzen-Prague area of Czechoslovakia were strafed by United States Eighth Air Force fighters which had escorted heavy bombers on a mission against communications targets.

### Raid German Airdromes

Tactical air forces based on the continent fanned out in a series of attacks against enemy airdromes and targets over a wide area.

This great assault, overshadowing the previous single day's record of 377 planes destroyed, made last Tuesday, raised to at least 2,053 the number of enemy aircraft wrecked in the first sixteen days of April.

One competent air observer who could not be named, said "the Luftwaffe has been knocked out. It still has planes—but though the rate of production has greatly diminished while the number of its fighting craft destroyed has greatly increased—but the Germans have not the fuel or the pilots to fly what is left of their frontline planes. The Luftwaffe now has been reduced to nothing more than a nuisance value."

### Change in Tactics

Spaatz, commander of the United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe comprising the Eighth air force in Britain and the Fifteenth air force in Italy, said in his special order that "the advances of our ground forces have brought us close to the strategic air war" and declared that hereafter the heavy bombers and fighters of the strategic air forces would operate in conjunction with tactical units.

Actually, the concentration of the power of heavy bombers in direct tactical support of the ground forces already has begun. In yesterday's operations 450 Flying Fortresses smashed enemy troop positions around Bordeaux for the third straight day and another force of 750 Fortresses and Liberators attacked rail targets in Bavaria ahead of the advancing ground troops.

Mustangs and Thunderbolts, whose services as escorts for the heavy bombers were scarcely served, dropped down for strafing runs and destroyed at least 647 planes on the ground. They shot down three others.

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## Meat Shortage Acute in State

By The Associated Press

Record or near record low stocks of meat were reported in an Associated Press survey of Maryland municipalities today as the House Food Investigation committee began a study of the meat shortage on a national scale in Washington.

Most doleful reports came from Hagerstown, where the situation was reported worse than at any time since the beginning of the war, and at Annapolis, where a ration board official said meat was "pretty scarce," this past weekend worse than it has ever been in this locality."

An extensive tour of Baltimore markets showed that many of their cases were bare, and that those which had supplies of meat experienced buying crushes which soon exhausted them.

Most stores in Salisbury were reported completely out, except for scrap. One dealer said he was even out of bologna for the first time in the history of his store. There was no poultry, reportedly because of the April 2 restrictive order.

Frederick reports showed the situation tight, but not critical. A ration board official said there had been quite a few complaints but "nobody is suffering."

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### MAY GET CABINET POST



### Fanatical Japs Raid Americans On Okinawa Isle

### Yanks Destroy 368 Jap Planes in Attack upon Kyushu

By ELMONT WAITE

GUAM, Tuesday, April 17 (P)—A new series of fanatical Japanese aerial raids on American forces at Okinawa and United States carrier plane strikes on the Japanese home island of Kyushu cost the enemy 368 warplanes destroyed and sixty damaged in four days, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

These losses increased to 1,674 the number of Japanese planes destroyed off the Ryukyu and at Kyushu since March 18. Nimitz also reported:

### Capture New Airfield

Elements of the Twenty-fourth army corps landed on little Ie Shima, three miles west of Okinawa's Motobu peninsula, yesterday morning. Against light initial resistance, they quickly captured the island's three-runway airfield.

Yanks have killed 9,108 Japanese and taken 391 prisoners through midnight Friday—the first thirteen days of the Okinawa campaign. In addition, 85,000 civilians have been brought under jurisdiction of the American military government.

### Raid Home Islands

Land-based army Mustang fighters from Iwo Jima bases attacked ground installations at Kanoya and Kushira on Kyushu island April 16. This was the first reported raid by bombers smaller than B-29s on any one-half square mile Urban industrial area.

On Okinawa, marines continued their advance toward the island's northwest tip over rugged terrain.

On the southern front, there was little change in the lines as naval guns and carrier planes continued to join field artillery in bombardment of the enemy's well-prepared positions.

### Damage Cargo Ship

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Only United States casualty figures announced by Nimitz were 432 killed, 2,103 wounded and 160 missing—a total of 2,695—through April 9.

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### Germany Forced To Meet Allies On Nearly Every Foot of Circle

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.  
Associated Press War Analyst

The full tide of destruction which the Allies have been stoking up for Germany for five years is pouring through the breaches in the Nazi dam. For the first time the Hitlerites are called on to meet full-out offensives not from just two fronts, but along every foot of an almost complete circle.

The months remaining to the Nazi regime have been cut to days, and any day may bring it to a matter of hours. Berlin stands where Warsaw stood in 1939, and the German army where the French, British, Belgian and Dutch armies stood in 1940. The men of nearly a score of

nations have joined for the final squeeze. Even the Romanians, Italians and Bulgarians are advancing against their former allies. What remains of Hitler's "greater Reich" has joined East Prussia, Danzig and the Ruhr; it has become the greatest pocket of all.

The beginning of new campaigns at the Oder and in Italy have solved at least one problem for the German generals. They no longer have to worry about shifting troops from here to there. They are all engaged now.

All adds up to the fact that every stand of the Nazis from now on is a suicide stand.

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### Finds Dynamite In His Basement

HELENA, Mont., April 16 (P)—His pick struck something hard when Les Brown was leveling his basement floor, and he unearthed a strange looking box. After buffeting it about Brown finally opened it with his pick.

The box contained fifteen sticks of dynamite, caps and all.

### The Road to Berlin

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Eastern Front: Twenty-three miles (from Seelow heights, Germany).

Western Front: Forty-five miles (from Tangmengde-Germans say also from Havelberg).

Italian Front: 530 miles (from Menate).

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### Red Parachute Troops Land in Rear of Germans

### Come Down Behind Nazi Lines 23 Miles from Berlin

By ROMNEY WHEELER

LONDON, Tuesday, April 17 (P)—The Germans reported today that Soviet parachutists had landed behind German lines less than twenty-three miles from Berlin yesterday even as Adolf Hitler was demanding a defensive death-stand against what he called the "last massed" Russian offensive against the Nazi capital.

The Red army airborne troops dropped in Berlin's defense ring somewhere between the city's eastern limits and heights won by the Red army twenty-three miles to the east, the Berlin radio commentator Ernst von Hammer said, as German reports indicated that four Russian armies totaling perhaps 200,000 men were on the move.

### May Soon Join Yanks

The long-awaited offensive burst upon the Germans at 3:50 a.m. yesterday, the German high command announced, and drove forward along a blazing 120-mile front at two points eighty miles from the American Third and Ninth armies. Berlin conceded that a rapid linkup was possible.

Hitler, who issued a special order of the day announcing the Russian offensive some hours after the German high command had done so, commanded the east front soldiers to "drown the Bolsheviks in a 'bath'" and hinted darkly at German treachery, warning his soldiers to watch for German officers who might give retreat orders.

### Guns Heard in Berlin

The deafening fire of 1,000 Russian guns thundered ceaselessly throughout the day in Berlin, the enemy admitted, as Soviet assault units battled into massive, reinforced fortifications under cover of hundreds of planes bombing and machine-gunning German positions on Berlin's eastern approaches.

All along the front, Red army tanks were speeding amphibious tanks and armored units into bridges across the Oder were reported—the latest at the river's elbow east of Eberswalde, seventeen and a half miles northeast of Berlin.

### Damage Cargo Ship

The Japanese launched heavy air attacks against American forces in and around Okinawa yesterday. Yank pilots, ships' gunners and land-based antiaircraft gunners destroyed 242 of the attackers.

### Hunger Riots in Berlin:

### Revolt of Starving Population May Mean Collapse of Nazis, Writer Says

(Editor's Note: Olle Ollen, 32-year-old Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Morgontidningen, has watched the decline of Hitlerism since 1942 and was one of the last two Swedish correspondents in Germany, leaving that capital April 8. He lived during his entire stay in Berlin's West End, one of the city's most heavily-bombed quarters, and once was bombed out.)

By OLLE OLLEN

Copyright 1945, by the Associated Press STOCKHOLM, April 16 (P)—Hunger riots were occurring daily in the northern and eastern sections of Berlin when I left the German capital eight days ago.

On the eve of my departure hungry mothers of starving children stormed food shops in the Alexanderplatz and almost lynched an SA (stormtroop) guard who tried to quiet them with the suggestion they economize on their bread rations.

### New Drives in Austria

Overshadowed by the great operation, which was not yet officially confined by the Soviet high command, were Red army drives in Austria, Czechoslovakia and East Prussia.

In the Austrian Alps, Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian army battered through 1,100-foot hills to within twenty-nine miles east of Austria's second city of Graz by capturing Fuerstenfeld.

Other spearheads battered through the Danube valley to a point fifty-nine miles east of Linz.

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**Girl Should Tell Soldier She No Longer Loves Him**

By BEATRICE FAIRFAX  
Famous Authority on Problems of Love and Marriage

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I'm a girl of 19 years and deeply in love with a boy of the same age who is overseas. He will be home soon. He isn't wealthy, but has enough to allow us to live quite comfortably. We want to get married when he comes home.

But I'm engaged to a boy who was wounded early in the war and was sent home. I don't love this boy and told him so but when the doctor said he needed me to give him a will to live, I promised to marry him. Now he's almost well, but the doctor says the shock would be too great if I told him at present that I can't marry him. And he said it would take about eighteen to twenty months for him to get over it.

Do I dare keep waiting the boy I really want to marry? Shall I tell the wounded boy about him?

I. M.

In spite of what your doctor says, it would seem that the young soldier, who is "almost well" could stand the shock of being told you no longer love him. What else is to be done? It would be far worse for him if you went through with the ceremony loving someone else.

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I think it would be wise, when you see the boy you wish to marry, to tell him the truth. Sparring with truth, taking refuge in subterfuges only lands you deeper in your difficulties.

Groups for Teen-Agers

I'm almost 15 years old, and want to have dates, but my mother thinks I should wait a few more years. I have turned down many boys who've asked for dates, because Mother says if I want to go out with boys, it would be much better if a group of boys and girls go out together instead of couples.

Do you think it would be all right for a boy and girl to go to a movie or ride around on Saturday or Sunday afternoons?

R. W.

I agree with mother it would be better if a group of boys and girls of the age you mention would go out together instead of in couples. Not long ago, when the war broke, a well-reared girl did not go out alone with a boy until she was 16 years of age. There was a bit of worldly wisdom in this convention.

If a girl did not marry very early, nice old ladies everyone knows would say something like: "That girl, why she's been going out and having dates for the past ten or fifteen years. She must be old as the hills."

**Absence Makes Heart Grow Fonder**

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I'm a young man of 24 years of age and have been going with a girl of 20 for almost a year. She says she loves me and that no one else matters, but during the time I've gone with her we've had several quarrels. Sometimes it was her fault and sometimes mine, but I always took all the blame.

Now I'm going into the service. I've been deferred on account of my position, but I asked to be released, because I think I'd like to do my part. We had another misunderstanding, and she refuses to patch it up. When I asked her if she didn't care for me anymore, she said she could never love anyone else. But still she doesn't want to resume our friendship. I'm very much in love with her. What shall I do?

J. A. B.

If there's any truth in the old adage that "absence makes the heart grow fonder," I'm sure your girl friend will soon write and tell

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—By Elsie Robinson  
(Registered U S Patent Office)

To the Movie Czars, Inc.  
Hollywood, California

For months hundreds of letters, all based on the same theme, have been accumulating in my files. You may not agree with these letters but they are of national importance and they are down your alley. So I'm passing them along. What's their beef?

**PRETTY GIRLS!**

What's wrong with pretty girls? Nothing—when and if you find them where they belong. But there's a time and place for everything, and even pretty girls may be in the wrong spot at times. Or so says public.

Actually you've brought this on yourselves. For the last few years you have been offering America more and more historical movies, biographical films which show great names in the making. America likes those films—is clamoring for more. But instead of capitalizing on this enthusiasm your directors seem possessed of a fiendish desire to scramble the casting. Instead of giving us History As Is with real flesh and blood humans, they have gathered a collection of curvaceous cuties and chorines and proceeded to let 'em roll accordingly. Which may be easier on the eye but makes a monkey out of any honest biography.

The plain fact is that famous people, particularly women, have seldom been dazzlers, much less Powers models. They have been brave, kindly, supremely intelligent and efficient. But they have possessed the usual human quota of freckles, warts and fallen arches. Greatness, not glamour, was their job and the world honored them for it.

But does Hollywood applaud this decision? Does it make the great ones even more lovable by showing those slight physical imperfections which we all share? Anything but! With horrified activity it heaves their actual characters into the

wastebasket along with the freckles and double chins and transforms these dignified Dianas into Kewpie dolls.

An outstanding example, consider the rumor that Betty Hutton is about to be cast in the role of General Fremont's wife in Irving Stone's great and honest biography, "The Immortal Wife." Betty, merry little pixie—adorable tomboy—beloved of all America. Yet totally unfit to impersonate that great hearted pioneer who was John Fremont's beloved mate. One might as well have imagined Will Rogers playing Hamlet.

Jessie Fremont was never a pretty doll in all her life. She was handsome—compelling—majestic in both body and soul. She was the embodiment of all those courageous sweethearts, wives and mothers who made America. Separated from the mate whom she adored, she spent many a year in loneliness and heart hunger. Yet, regardless of her own pain or actual danger, she moved serenely along the difficult trail that was to link the West with the Union.

A glorious and dignified woman such a woman as every man treasures in his heart when he thinks of his own mother. Then why not portray her as she was in her natural beauty and abundance. Why not dare to be real?

You have dared this in the past, gentlemen. Marie Dressler, Bette Davis, Ingrid Bergman—you have let them play true to life. And whenever you did all America applauded. Then dare again! America is no longer in the kindergarten. There is place in our lives now for grown women as well as for cuties. Give us pretty girls—keep them coming. BUT WHEN HISTORY'S IMMORTALS WALK AGAIN—LET THEM BE REAL!

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The first three gospels—Matthew, Mark and Luke—are known as the synoptic gospels because in matter, language and order they have much in common.

**Marriage Licenses**

Va., and Velva Pearl Hott, Shanks, W. Va.  
Ellis Johnson, Ligonier, Pa., and Elsie Pearl Schurg, Melcroft, Pa.

Licenses to marry were issued to four couples yesterday and Saturday in the office of the clerk of circuit court. Ten permits were granted yesterday and four on Saturday. They were issued to:

David Mitchell Watson and Onoie Louise Dickey, Cumberland, William Frederick Greiner, Hollidaysburg, Pa., and Mary Louise Malone, Fort Ashby, W. Va.  
James Louis Isabella, Wampum, Pa., and Donna Jean Martin, Flintstone.

Albert Herman Berger and Bertha Elise Jorhde, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Elmer Edward Jeffries, Midland, and Nettie Violet Green, Gilmore, Arpad Zoltan Stanko, Route 1, West Brunswick, Pa., and Bethel Louise Frank, Denbo, Pa.  
Harold Frederick Campbell and Lillian Veith Kilburn, Baltimore.

Robert Jay Edwards, Kittanning, Pa., and Mary Alice Schall, Route 1, Kittanning.  
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## A Discussion of Our Presidential System

THIS NEWSPAPER BELIEVES there is much food for thought in an editorial which appeared in the New York Herald Tribune Sunday dealing with the presidential system in the United States. It so clearly expresses the views of this paper that we are printing it in its entirety.

"There is always something impressive and moving about the succession of a vice president to the presidency," the Herald Tribune says in the opening paragraph of the editorial which it entitled "The Test of a System."

"Mr. Truman stands in an old American tradition - a relatively unknown and modest citizen, suddenly elevated by fate to the greatest government post in the world. So it has been through many decades of our history. At our national conventions the second post has rarely gone to a ranking leader."

"Like his predecessors, Mr. Truman takes office gravely and simply. The whole country is glad to unite behind him. The national spirit of fair play will see that he receives every assistance and opportunity. This, also, is in our tradition, and, thanks in no small part to it, our vice presidents have made an excellent record as presidents. The names of Chester A. Arthur and Calvin Coolidge come to mind as good examples of such success."

"It would be folly to ignore the fact, however, that our presidential system faces one of the most difficult periods in its long history. The breach of the two-term tradition and the intensely personal rule which flowed, almost inevitably, from so long a leadership, have unquestionably altered the balance of our three-branched government. The role of the Supreme Court has been weakened and confused; certain functions of Congress have been reduced to the status of executive prerogatives. True, with the ending of war, Congress has shown signs of reassessing its powers; and the Supreme Court is too great and vital an institution to be permanently disabled. We are confident that Mr. Truman will recognize these truths and aid in the restoration of lost balances as soon as the extraordinary needs of war permit."

"There is the additional fact that the tensions of the peace that lies ahead are likely to be far more violent than ever before. No one can any longer view warless years as a period of relaxation. If a third world war is to be avoided, only persistent, able and concerted effort can accomplish that result. Peace like war must, as Governor Dewey phrased the truth, be waged. While the other branches of the government must be restored to their proper functions, leadership in the White House cannot be permitted to falter or decline."

"Here is, plainly, the severest test that the presidential system has ever faced. The American people have shown high political skill in the more than a century and a half through which they have maintained and modified their Constitution as situations demanded. They face now new tasks and new responsibilities. They should approach them boldly and confidently, holding fast to that which is sound and effective in their system, not hesitating to change what needs to be changed. Even the alternative of congressional government, with some adaptation of the responsible cabinet system, deserves to be held in view. In any event, a rebuilding of the committee system of the House of Representatives cannot be achieved too soon. President Truman deserves the most efficient support that a reawakened Congress can furnish him."

**Victory in Europe Is Approaching**

SINCE IT BECOMES CLEARER every day that the Nazis would rather see Germany destroyed than officially acknowledge defeat, it seems to be assumed that V-E day in Europe will be the kind which General Eisenhower has visualized - victory not by enemy surrender but by Allied proclamation.

That being the case, there is much to be said in favor of the suggestion, made in dispatches from the front, that the war be declared at an end when the British-American forces effect their approaching juncture with the Russians.

That meeting of the armies of the Big Three will be an historic event. In a military way it will, of course, divide the Reich into two isolated parts, neither of which will be able to offer more than token resistance. It will make impossible the continuation of anything resembling resistance by the Germans, and it will deprive the Nazis of practically all the resources needed to continue organized opposition.

In a sentimental way it will be even more symbolic. It will signalize the union of the three great nations through whose gallant efforts the world was saved from fascist oppression.

Doubtless, all the Allied peoples, and most German soldiers as well, would feel happier in mind and soul if the Nazi leaders could be brought to their knees and forced to hand over their swords. There would be a finality about that ceremony which would help to satisfy justifiable desire for public revenge and which likewise would resolve forever every last doubt as to the result of the war. For the troops of the enemy it would mean that they could quit without having the stigma of treason fastened upon them.

But that, apparently, will never be. The Allies will decide when victory is complete, and the American-British-Soviet meeting in the heart of Germany would be a good time to make the momentous announcement.

## Here's New Method To Trap Mosquitoes

SCIENCE IS WONDERFUL, and never more so than when it comes up with an achievement like that of Dr. Morton C. Kahn, the New York public health professor who is proposing to eradicate the mosquito by a strange and ingenious plot. It is his plan to record the love song of the female mosquito, play it on a phonograph, and trap the hordes of male mosquitoes who come flocking for romance.

Probably it had not occurred to many persons that mosquitoes had a love call. The only sound most individuals have ever heard them make is the steady and malignant buzzing which announces that they are about to pounce upon an arm or ear.

But Dr. Kahn is authority for the statement that mosquitoes do have their softer moments when their thoughts turn to romance and love. At such times the female mosquito utters what Dr. Kahn describes rather slighly, it seems, as a low whine. In this the assorted males in the vicinity respond with a high, thin wail and buzz like a squadron of dive bombers in full attack.

It is not hard to imagine a male mosquito's rage when he finds himself trapped in Dr. Kahn's device by a mechanical siren yodeling in mosquito language, "come up and see me some time." But it's all right with most persons. And they should know enough in the future to get out of the way with all possible speed wherever they hear a mosquito uttering a low bellow.

## So Sorry, Suzuki

PREDICT STUDENTS OF Japan are predicting that the new government of Admiral Baron Kantaro Suzuki will be a "moderate" one that might project peace feelings to the United States. It is possible that he would fit in as the Japanese idea of a "front man" for such a peace offensive because he was wounded by extremist young Japanese officers in 1936. These officers accused him of counseling moderation on the emperor.

Suzuki is 77 years old and is regarded as an "elder statesman." He is the former commander-in-chief of the mikado's combined fleet. He is of the same school of "moderates" that spawned Saito Kurusu and Kichisaburo Nomura, whose smiling "peace mission" was underway at the very hour Japan struck at Pearl Harbor.

America and the other Allies will know how to treat any Japanese "sofa face" peace gesture at this or any other time. In the light of recent history, no Japanese at all is to be trusted until unconditional surrender has permitted ironclad occupation of the islands and uprooting of the whole Japanese system.

## Coffee Prices May Depend on Politics

BRAZIL HAS BEEN promised a free election before the end of the year, the first in the more than ten years since President Vargas took power. Americans will be interested because on the outcome may depend the price of coffee.

Sweden is now contracting with Brazilian growers for coffee at sixteen cents a pound and growers are convinced they will soon receive twenty cents. That would increase retail prices in the United States fifty per cent.

When last year, Brazil's growers refused to sell any of the crop to the United States because the price was deemed too low, President Vargas released government stocks at thirteen cents a pound. No deal for 1945 stocks has yet been closed with Brazil. If there is an election in Brazil, the price of coffee is slated to be the important issue.

We read that an automatic cocktail shaker which mixes and serves drinks when a button is pushed, has been invented. Probably grows its own olives and cherries, too.

What many a housewife would like to know is what became of the little pig that, according to a nursery rhyme, went to market.

If Germans want to eat next winter now is the time to turn what is left of Germany into an agricultural nation.

## SNAKES FROM HORSEHAIRS

By MARSHALL MASLIN

ONCE UPON A TIME I believed that you take a living hair from a horse's tail and put it into water and keep your eyes on it for days - perhaps weeks - it will turn into a thin little snake at last.

When I was about twelve years old I tried that great experiment. My brother and I did it. We watched a horsehair for weeks. My father explained to us that it was quite impossible for a horsehair to become a living creature and that even if we did find a slender hairlike creature in the water that would not prove a hair had turned into a snake. He told us we were wasting our time but we didn't believe him.

Seems that a Mexican boy who lived down by the railroad tracks had solemnly assured us this would happen; he saw it happen and of course his word was more convincing than the grownup wisdom of a mere father.

So we watched and we watched but never did see that snake. We didn't see it but we never quite convinced ourselves that we were wrong and father was right. Somehow we were sure we had just missed, and that if we'd kept a closer watch we would have seen that horsehair become a snake.

We didn't get that folklore of childhood out of system and I suppose that none of us ever do. We continue to believe forever that horsehairs do turn into little thread-like snakes.

We believe that wishing gets things done.

We are sure that dreaming is more effective than doing.

We are certain that envy will turn into possession at last.

And we are stubbornly convinced that wool-gathering is better than thinking any day in the week.

Some day miracles will happen. We will get things done without actually doing them. A rich uncle will die and leave us his fortune. We will be loved without deserving it, and the ships we have neglected to send to sea will come back to us laden with rich cargo.

And we, being rich of course, will prove that father was wrong.



The Washington Merry-Go-Round

## Pearson Says Political Pressure Being Applied To Free Ex-Louisiana Governor

By DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON - Back-stage political pressure is increasing to let Louisiana's worst political crook, ex-Governor Dick Leche, out on parole and also drop other government charges against him. The argument is that Leche was just a big, good-natured, handsome boy, who was the victim of circumstances and was influenced by the old Huey Long crowd.

Leche is serving ten years on one charge only - of buying several hundred trucks for the state highway commission at ten per cent higher than the list price. On this deal alone, he raked in \$51,000. He has now served three and a third years out of ten and is up for parole. But he faces three other indictments.

Note - The same Judge Davidson who protected Freeman Burford, last week telephoned Attorney General Biddle that United States Attorney Clyde Eastus, of Dallas, had a revolver which he planned to use against the judge. Eastus was suspended.

The war's about over in Europe. There'll be some more mopping-up operations, but the war's actually finished.

But from the other end of the table came the charming voice of Mrs. Helen Gahagan Douglas, congresswoman from Los Angeles.

"The war will be over," she said in an uncertain tones, "when our husbands come home - and no sooner. You ask any woman in this country whether the war is over. She will give you exactly the same answer - when our husbands come home."

Congresswoman Douglas's husband, Maj. Melvyn Douglas, the movie star, has been stationed in the India-Burma theater. She has not seen him for more than two years.

**Surplus War Plants**

Shipbuilder Henry Kaiser gave some sage advice to Senator Jim Murray's Small Business committee the other day on the disposal of war plants.

Kaiser pointed out that the future use to which war plants are put will largely determine whether or not this country has full employment after the war.

He pointed out that certain monolithic businessmen are anxious to buy some war plants merely for the purpose of closing them down, thus preventing their use by competitors after the war. Then Kaiser dropped a bombshell.

"Until such a time as the government can properly determine the effect of these plants on employment," Kaiser advised, "they should be disposed of on terms which would give every operator a fair opportunity to demonstrate his ability to use them for employment, and not to close them down."

Kaiser also pointed out that the Surplus Property act was so crudely worded, the Surplus Property board didn't know how to interpret it.

"I have not been able to find out what the policy is under which these plants will be disposed of," he said. "I don't know whether they will be disposed of for competitive dollars or full employment."

Kaiser then went on to recommend that the plants be leased or sold on a temporary basis to businessmen who would attempt to employ the maximum number of men in their plants. He suggested that the leases or sales be reviewed after six months or a year, to determine whether the purchaser was getting as much gainful employment out of the plant as possible.

Committee Chairman Murray backed Kaiser's plan, pointed out that we should take some risks in the reconstruction period to assure prosperity.

"We didn't hesitate to risk the loss of a tremendous amount of money in the quick conversion to war," Murray said, "and we ought to be willing to take the same kind of a chance to bring back prosperity when the war is over."

Capital Chaff

It was kept hush-hush, but United States officials had to move fast to protect the big Nazi treasure found.

MATTHEW J. CONNELLY, secretary to President Harry S. Truman when the latter was senator from Missouri and vice president, is expected to be named executive assistant to the nation's new chief executive.

that makes history and sets a pattern.

The purpose of those who fought fanatically for renomination of Mr. Wallace was realistic to a degree almost macabre. They assumed the possibility that President Roosevelt, if reelected, might not serve out his fourth term - and they wished to be sure that, if this should happen, they would have in the White House a man as sympathetic to them as Mr. Roosevelt, one who would perpetuate the New Deal. With Mr. Wallace as president, indeed, they would have more than merely perpetuation of the New Deal. They would have a president with a crusading temperament and a mind strongly bent toward intellectual adventure, to a degree sometimes startling. With such a man in the presidency, there might be hope for almost any of the new ideologies of the groups who supported Mr. Wallace.

### Predict End Of New Deal

"Nomination of Mr. Wallace, followed by his elevation to the presidency, would have affected the course of the country. And would have definitely changed the nature of the Democratic party, making it the vehicle of the left-wing and radical groups.

These consequences are now averted. . . . In the event of Mr. Roosevelt ceasing to be president the New Deal as an ideological dynasty will end.

If the successful nominee for the vice presidency, Senator Harry S. Truman, should become president, he would be sympathetic to the New Deal, or most of it. But he would not be as sympathetic as Mr. Roosevelt, for in the Senate Mr. Truman has opposed some New Deal measures. Decidedly, Mr. Truman would not do what Mr. Wallace would - carry the New Deal farther distances into new fields.

Senator Truman, because of his temperament and his record, would be far closer to the old-school Democrats than Mr. Wallace; and this disposition on his part would be increased by the fact that he got his nomination from the old-school Democrats - got it as the old-school Democrats' alternative to Mr. Wallace.

That judgment, which was printed in July, is supplemented by one printed October 29, and having again been composed in the detachment of anticipation:

"Just what effects would follow if vice presidential candidate Truman should succeed to the presidency. . . . The more conservative members (of the cabinet), the type who are regular Democrats, would increase in influence, for Mr. Truman himself is essentially a party man. . . . In the executive department as a whole there would be one important and rather sweeping change. Among subordinates, the extreme New Dealers, persons who may be roughly described as of the Henry Wallace type, would cease to have much influence. Looted German art works were also found in the salt mine by the Third army and will probably be stored in New York until the Allies find the original owners. . . . Cracked One State department official when he learned of the Nazi loot: 'Hitler certainly was salting it away' . . . . Some German murder factories for mass killing have been discovered they no longer make headlines. Latest, however, is an electric crematorium at Camp Shuthof in Alsace, designed and constructed by a Swiss manufacturer. . . . Some Frenchmen now propose that the Swiss firm be put on the war criminals list. . . . Dynamic Sen. Claude Pepper, of Florida, will soon hearings on how small business can get into foreign trade. Pepper is chairman of a foreign trade subcommittee of the Small Business committee.

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## City May Award Street Repair Contract Today

## Cumberland Firm Submits Low Bid for Black Topping Job

A contract for black topping some cumberländ streets may be awarded at a special meeting of the mayor and city council scheduled 10 o'clock this morning.

After three bids for the work were opened, the city officials announced yesterday that the low price was submitted by the Cumberland Contracting Company. That firm submitted a figure of \$7.79 per ton for hot mix and \$7.46 per ton for cold mix. Tacking material was listed at twenty cents per gallon.

P. Flanigan and Son, Incorporated, Baltimore, was second low bidder with figures of \$8.20 per ton for a mix and \$7.88 per ton for cold mix. Tacking material was listed at twenty cents a gallon.

The highest bid was submitted by the New Enterprise Stone and Company, New Enterprise, Pa., which listed hot mix at \$9.45 per ton and cold mix at \$8.45 per ton. Tacking material was listed at twenty cents a gallon.

The black topping work, if done at a hot mix basis at the local mix's figures, would cost \$129,876 while a cold mix job would cost \$14,464. The Baltimore firm's cost would be \$137,706 for a hot mix job, \$131,458 for a cold mix job, while the Pennsylvania company did the work with hot mix for \$7,206 or cold mix for \$14,806.

The cost to the city would be \$31, under the bids since the state highway commission has pledged that amount to help repair state highways within the city.

## Personal

Miss Pearl Garbrick, Carlisle, Pa., is here Friday to attend the County Music Festival and was the weekend guest of Mrs. George T. Woodruff, 219 Carroll street. Mr. Woodruff, who has been doing special work in Hagerstown, was also home this week.

Mrs. Henry T. Wilson and children, Cresaptown, left yesterday for Nashville, Texas, to reside.

Mrs. Mabel Crowe, Triple Lakes, a patient in Allegany hospital, Capt. and Mrs. Robert D. Wilson, daughter, Patricia, Fort Knox, are visiting their former parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Wilson, 30 Oak street.

William E. Bishop, LaVale, bailiff trial magistrate's court here, is progressing nicely in Memorial hospital where he underwent an operation Saturday morning.

Miss Doris Singer, Buffalo, N. Y., visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Singer, 819 Fayette street, Virgil L. McElfish, 214 Park street, returned home from Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Robert Irving and daughters, Mrs. and Amy, of Crownsville, visiting the former's parents, and Mrs. Rudolph F. Valentine, 4 Bedford street.

Miss Evelyn Farrin, Washington, on the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Clara Farrin, 1504 Bedford street.

Mrs. Edith Reichart, 410 Holland street, returned Sunday from Washington, where she accompanied her son, Pfc. James H. Reichart, who is patient in the convalescent section of Walter Reed hospital. Reichart recently spent a forty-day lough here.

Mrs. Eldridge M. Dorn, 517 Bedford street, returned Sunday from memorial hospital where she underwent an operation.

Charles Gurney Moore, Wellersburg, Pa., was called to Baltimore today by the serious illness of his father, Charles J. Moore, formerly of Frostburg.

Events in Brief

The Athey-Lyons Circle of the First Presbyterian church will meet 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the church house, with Mrs. Mrs. S. Kopp and Mrs. Edward Athey as hostesses.

Frank H. Buley Alumni Chapter of Demolay will meet at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening at Central YMCA, at which time William Jenkins will be inducted into organization.

The Pleasant Grove Homemakers will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening at the home of Mrs. Howell.

Perrin, Baltimore Pike.

Park E. Smith will present a simile of the Declaration of Independence to Allegany high school 10 o'clock this morning in assembly. He will be introduced by Mr. R. Webster and Charles L. Durst, about 45, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Durst. Frostburg is in a "fair" condition in Miners hall suffering from undetermined head injuries suffered in a truck-automobile crash this afternoon.

Durst, driving a truck containing undertaker's equipment, had driven ahead of the funeral party after services for Mrs. Rachel Brown, of Finzel, at Pocahontas church.

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## Drive To Enforce Dog Laws Planned By City Officials

### Gen. Eisenhower Helps Pvt. Samuel Carry His Rifle

A campaign to enforce dog laws of Cumberland was launched yesterday when the mayor and council passed an order calling for the police department to insert advertisements in local newspapers explaining the situation.

The law states that dogs are running at large when not under immediate control and provides that the owners of such animals are subject to a fine of from \$5 to \$25.

Major Thomas S. Post introduced the order. Commissioner William E. McDonald said he favors the action but then asked: "How can the law be enforced?"

Commissioner James Orr said policemen cannot devote their time to catching dogs, but Mayor Post declared that if laws cannot be enforced, they should be taken off the books. Post said Dr. W. C. McCullum, city humane officer, is doing a good job but that the work is too much for one man.

#### Dance Hall Permit Sought

It was finally agreed to advertise with the hope that something may be accomplished. Orr said he is still looking for someone to assist with the work of catching dogs.

The application of P. W. Mauk, of the Royale Dairy, for a dance hall permit for the second floor of 142 Arch street was referred to the Police department.

Ralph L. Rizer, city engineer, said Mauk had misrepresented when he secured a building permit as it was granted for a structure to manufacture ice cream and storage. The building was remodeled for a dance floor, Rizer stated. Oscar A. Everman, chief of police, said he told Mauk it was right to have dancing on the first floor but gave no permission for use of the second floor.

#### Water Line Progress

In answer to a question by Patrick J. Carroll, representing a veterans' committee, Charles J. Bruce, waterworks superintendent, reported the War Production Board stated that a permit for construction of a second water line from Lake Gordon to the city is out of the question at this time.

Rizer reported that titles for property needed for rights-of-way have been cleared and that a man will be put in the field soon. Carroll urged that rights-of-way be secured as quickly as possible.

The second pamphlet is entitled, "A lot of Money" and states, "it is only a pity that YOU won't get it, but the war profiteers and bank dealers. They earn this money and lots more, by YOUR fighting and by your death," then the question is asked "Not quite worth while for you is it?" Then in large red letters it states, "If you agree, don't forget that being taken a prisoner is the only life insurance in the world in wartime," and closes with "and the best!"

#### Order Withdrawn

An order to increase the salary of William H. Buley, parking meter attendant, from \$100 to \$125 monthly including bonuses was withdrawn by Orr because of a technicality in the wording. The question was raised by Charles Z. Heskett, city attorney.

In letters to the council, Miss Anna M. Nicht, secretary of the Business and Professional Women's Club asked for the appointment of an anti-smoke committee and G. M. Fisher, 118 Columbia street, objected to payment of overtime for hours worked over thirty by employees of a contractor paving city streets. Fisher said steps should be taken to get around the state law on the subject.

Airport receipts last week totaled \$101,494.

Water consumption for the week ending yesterday was 77,240,000 gallons. The daily average was 11,034,000 gallons as compared to 11,147,000 for the same period last year. Lake Gordon is one inch below the crest of the western Pacific.

Sgt. Leroy E. Iser, Rawlings, was a member of a patrol which killed six Germans and captured six more in recent action on the Fifth army front, Italy. They are members of the Eighty-first cavalry reconnaissance squadron of the First armored division. He entered the army in January, 1941 and recently returned to duty from a furlough in this country. A graduate of Bruce high school, Westerport, he was formerly employed by the Western Maryland Railway Company. He is the husband of Mrs. Clara Iser and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Iser, Rawlings.

Pvt. William Leo Brennan, Bartow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brennan, who is training at Fort Benning, Ga., has received his wings as a qualified parachutist.

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## Staff Sgt. Leo E. P. Law Weds Miss Helen Lacey

Ceremony Is Performed in Catholic Church at Homestead, Pa.

Miss Helen Lacey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael V. Lacey, of Munhall, Pa., became the bride of S. Sgt. Leo E. P. Law, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene I. W. 429 Walnut street, this city April 12.

The wedding ceremony was solemnized at a 9 o'clock mass in St. Mary Magdalene church, Homestead, Pa., with the Rev. John D. Doerrfier officiating. Miss Alice Lacey was the maid of honor and her sister's only attendant and William E. Law, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man.

Sgt. Law and his bride are visiting his parents here for a couple days and after a brief wedding trip he will return to the hospital at Stanton April 20, and Mrs. Law will continue her duties at Homestead hospital and reside with her parents, 711 Ninth avenue, Munhall.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father was attired in a pastel pink dress with which she wore a matching hat and shoulder length gloves. She carried a white prayerbook with an orchid marker and long streamers.

Her maid of honor chose a powder blue dress with matching hat and shoulder length gloves, and a corsage of red roses completed her costume.

The bride is a graduate of Munhall high school, class of 1940 and of Homestead Hospital School of Nursing.

S. Sgt. Law attended St. Patrick's school and Allegany high school. He has been in the service six years and wears the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Silver Star and Combat Infantry badge.

Overseas since January 1944 he took part in the invasion of Normandy and was wounded on D Day by shrapnel in the right arm and back; the second time he was wounded was in August with shrapnel in the hip, while in action at Mortain, France. The following December he suffered frozen feet

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### WSCS Sponsors Talk On India April 20

An illustrated talk on India by the Rev. Mr. Barrick will be given under the sponsorship of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Rawlings Methodist church at 8 o'clock April 20 in the Rawlings church.

The Rev. Mr. Barrick, of Westministerport, is a retired missionary from India and will show pictures, which he himself took while doing missionary work there. The public is invited to attend.

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### FIRST LADY AND HER DAUGHTER



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### Frostburg Will Play Host. To Presbyterial Meeting

#### Mrs. Walter R. Cremeans To Be Guest Speaker April 24

The Western Maryland Branch of the Baltimore Presbyterial will meet April 24 in the Presbyterian church of Frostburg, with Mrs. Harold W. Smith, this city, chairman presiding.

Mrs. Walter R. Cremeans, Baltimorite, wife of Dr. Cremeans, general presbyter, will be the guest speaker at the luncheon. A musical program will also be presented.

Dancing from 11:30 until 11:30 o'clock will be to music by the Artocats. The spring motif will be carried out in the decorations with assorted flowers against a patriotic background of red, white and blue.

Each guest will receive a novelty gift.

Lloyd Schurling is chairman of the committee of arrangements; Joseph F. Screen, chairman of public relations; Roy Huff, Samuel White and J. Raymond Beck, committee chairmen; Earl Conn, Lester Jewell, Alvin E. Burner, Charles F. Hare and Truman C. Fuller, the decorations committee; and Charles Wolford chairman of tickets.

The morning session will begin at 10:45 o'clock, at which time reports of the six member societies will be given. The devotionals will be led by Mrs. J. B. Waugh, this city.

Luncheon will be served by the Ladies Missionary Society of the host church at 12:30 o'clock.

The Rawlings charge of the Methodist church requested the return of the pastor, the Rev. Louis P. Chastain, for another year; at the quarterly conference held Sunday evening in the Cresaptown church, with the Rev. O. B. Langrall, district superintendent, presiding. It also voted an increase of \$300 to his salary.

Miss Dorothy McDonald was honored for completing ten years as financial secretary of the Cresaptown church, and was presented with a three compartment brief case with her name engraved on it in gold, in appreciation of her services.

It was also announced that the annual conference will be held at Westminster from June 5 to June 9.

The Rev. Mr. Chastain gave his yearly report which included the baptism of seventy-nine adults and children; 124 children enrolled in the cradle roll department; that the charge oversubscribed its quota for the Crusade for Christ by more than \$500; the charge had the largest attendance at the Daily Vacation Bible school of any charge in the Baltimore Conference.

The last \$700 was paid on behalf of the pastor of the church; 108 new members were received; 1,129 pastoral calls made; all special offerings exceeded those of a year ago; the church had paid \$2,500 to the parsonage indebtedness of which \$1,000 was made available by the Baltimore Conference Board of Missions.

The attendance at the Cresaptown church has greatly increased and additional equipment for the office has been purchased and 350 bulletins are published each week; the Dawson church had a well drilled at the cost of \$300, which has been paid. The report closed with the announcement that for the year, which closes at the end of May, all bills have been paid in full.

Annual reports were also given by the heads of all organizations.

Officers of the Westminster Fellowship of the First Presbyterian church were installed by the Rev. William A. Eisenberger, pastor, at a special candlelight ceremony Sunday evening at the church house.

Richard R. Sizler was the guest speaker, and had as his topic, "Youth Inspects the Changing World." Mrs. George T. Woodworth is councilor for the group.

Donald Fuller was installed as president and his staff of officers includes Ann Martin, vice president; Helen Bowie, secretary; Robert Heisley, treasurer and Ruth Ann Richards, recreational chairman.

Miss Kathleen Cumbee presided at the tea table, which was covered with a lace cloth and decorated with a bowl of white and lavender lilacs and tall green tapers in cream colored candleholders. A program of piano selections was presented by Robert Heisley during the tea.

Barbara Blunk, Ann Martin and Ruth Ann Richards assisted in serving.

Miss Dorothy McCoy was the bride's maid of honor and only attendant and Chester Glenn Watson, son, served as his brother's best man.

The bride is a graduate of Fort Hill high school, class of 1942 and attended Catherman's Business school. She is employed as stenographer at the Home Beneficial Life Insurance Company.

Pfc. Watson is a graduate of Fort Hill high school, class of 1940 and was employed at the Celanese Corporation of America prior to his enlisting in the service September 1942. He trained at Miami Beach, Fla., before going overseas and recently returned for a special course in radar.

Mr. and Mrs. Dicken entertained with an informal wedding reception in honor of their daughter and her bridal party following the ceremony, after which the couple left for a short wedding trip.

Committee Is Named

The Nominating committee of the Johnson Heights school was named at the meeting last week and included Mrs. Perry Ambrose, Mrs. Harry Lannon and Mrs. Myrtle Taylor.

Plans were also formulated for the June festival and Miss Isabel Screen reported on the progress of the clothing drive and announced the annual play will be given at 7:30 o'clock April 26. An illustrated talk on food was given by Miss Flora Dowler. The attendance record was won by Mrs. Taylor's room and Miss Margaret Engles.

Final plans will be formulated at the business session for the Mother's day program.

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## Fourth Wartime Major Loop Season Finds 120 Newcomers on Rosters

Rookies Expected To Play Important Part in Pennant Races of Both Leagues

By JOE REICHLER

NEW YORK, April 16 (AP) — The fourth wartime major league baseball season which gets under way tomorrow will provide the biggest opportunity for rookies since the first professional league was organized in 1876.

Approximately 120 newcomers will be trying to make their marks in the big time with about twenty-five appearing in the opening day lineups. Never before have so many new names dotted the rosters of big league clubs.

The war's drain on manpower and its continued demands on the game's personnel has made room for many a youngster who ordinarily would still be in the minors absorbing much needed knowledge.

None are such stars of last year as Stan Musial, Dick Wakefield, Bobby Doerr, Ray Mueller, Pinky Higgins, Stan Spence, Tex Hughson, Gordon Maltzberger, Thurman Tucker, Dennis Gahouse, Ron Northey, Danny Litwak, Ken Keltner, Al Zarilla and others. Taking their places will be over-age and under-age players, 4-Fs and some discharged veterans.

### Ceremonial Opener Postponed

Obviously, playing standards will be lowered. But that the fans will turn out is evident by the estimated opening day attendances which is expected to total approximately 150,000 for the eight inaugurations. The ceremonial Washington opener which usually precedes the regular inaugurals by one day, was postponed today due to inclement weather.

Estimated opening day attendances for tomorrow's openings are as follows:

American League—Boston at New York (25,000), Chicago at Cleveland (18,000), Washington at Philadelphia (10,000), Detroit at St. Louis (7,500).

National League—Pittsburgh at Cincinnati (29,000), St. Louis at Chicago (20,000), Philadelphia at Brooklyn (22,000), New York at Boston (15,000).

With every club presenting new faces in the opening lineups, rookies may play an important part in the pennant races of both leagues. The pennant winning Browns in the American League, favored to repeat, will introduce Outfielders Boris (Babe) Martin and one-armed Pete Gray.

### Mayer Replaces Wakefield

The Tigers, generally conceded to give the Browns the stiffest opposition, will present Outfielder Bobby Mayer who will attempt to fill the large shoes of Wakefield. Joe Buzas will be in Frankie Crosetti's old place at short for the Yankees. Charlie Metro in the outfield for the Athletics, Bill Nagel and Cass Michaels in the infield for the White Sox and Al Chiochi at second base for the Indians.

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Detroit at St. Louis—Newhouse (29-9) vs. Jakucki (13-9).

Boston at New York—Cecil (4-5) vs. Donald (13-10).

Washington at Philadelphia—Leonard (14-14) vs. Newsom (13-13).

Chicago at Cleveland—Lee (3-9) vs. Reynolds (11-8).

National League

St. Louis at Chicago—Wilks (17-4) vs. Derringer (7-13).

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## TODAY'S PITCHERS

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Horses to Belmont

MIAMI, Fla.—Recent shipments from Hialeah to Belmont included seventeen racers under Trainer Jim Fitzsimmons, sixteen under George Coburn, fifteen under Bob Robertson and fourteen under Eddie Hayward.

Air Sailor Ready

T. D. Buhler's Air Sailor, 1944 Detroit two-year-old champion in top form for the 1945 Kentucky Derby. Trainer Lex Wilson plans to ship the youngster from Hialeah park to Louisville shortly.

Purdue Bound

Bob Doster, the top point producer in the Illinois state high school basketball tournament, is headed for Purdue, while his Decatur high teammate, George Rielly, will go to DePaul next season.

## Baltimore Paper Reports Race Ban To Be Lifted Soon

Announcement, Effective as of May 10, Expected This Week

The Red Sox have been greatly improved by newcomers Ben Stein and Jack Tobin in the infield. Rex Cecil and Clem Dreisewerd on the mound and Fred Walters behind the bat. Outfielders Walter

## 1945 Major League Opener Postponed

WASHINGTON, April 16 (AP) — Wet, chilly weather forced postponement of today's opening game of the 1945 major league baseball season, dedicated to the late President Roosevelt.

Officials of the Washington club walked out onto the Griffith stadium diamond about noon, faced a chilling mist and decided that it would be too uncomfortable for the fans.

With Speaker Sam Rayburn making the first pitch, baseball's memorial game to Franklin Delano Roosevelt will be played here next Friday between the same clubs that were scheduled to meet today, New York and Washington.

Clipper and George Binks will try to make Manager Ossie Bleige, of the Senators, forget Spence.

In the National League, the world champion Cardinals, favored to gain their fourth straight flag, will have Rookie Al Schoendienst in the outfield to plug the gap left by the induction of Musial. Schoendienst, honorably discharged from the army, led the International League in hitting in 1943.

**Rookies Bolster Pirates**

The Pirates bolstered by the acquisition of Rookies Vic Barnhart, Al Giofriddo, Bill Salkeld and Ken Gabby, are tabbed as the club likely to make things hot for the Redbirds.

The Giants have been given much consideration due to the infusion of new blood in the persons of Pitchers Bill Emmerich, Ray Harrell and Loren Bain and Outfielder Steve Filipowicz.

The Reds, badly weakened by the loss of their one-man catcher, Ray Mueller, No-Hit Pitcher Clyde Shoun and Shortstop Eddie Miller will show Al Lakerman behind the bat and Collegian Kermit Wahl at short.

Newcomer Frank Secory will be in the outfield for the Cubs, and Morris Aderhalt for the Dodgers. The Braves will parade a brand new infield composed of First Baseman Joe Mack, Second Baseman Frank Drews, Third Baseman Tom Nelson and Shortstop Dick Culver. The Phillips will show off their new keystone combination, the youthful Hammer brothers, as well as Third Baseman Bitsy Mott, and Outfielders Vance Dinges and Rene Montegado.

**Veteran Hurlers To Pitch Openers**

NEW YORK, April 16 (AP) — Youth must have its fling, but not at tomorrow's major league opening baseball games.

Of the sixteen probable starting hurlers, ten are past the 30 year mark, five are past 26 and only one is under 25.

The Methuselah of the moundmen is Curt Davis, who admits to 40 summers. Old Daniel Boone will be handling his fourth opening day assignment tomorrow when he hurls the first ball for Brooklyn against Philadelphia. Previously Davis had opened the season for the Phillies in 1936, the St. Louis Cardinals in 1940 and the Dodgers in 1942.

Other veteran opening-day hurlers past the 30 year mark are Paul Derringer, of the Chicago Cubs; Thornton Lee, of the Chicago White Sox, and Fritz Ostermueller, of the Pittsburgh Pirates; each 37; Buck Newsom, Philadelphia Athletics, 36; Dutch Leonard, Senators, and Buck Winters, Cincinnati Reds; 35; Sig Jakucki, St. Louis Browns, and Atley Donald, Yankees, 32, and Blix Donnelly, Cardinals, 31.

Detroit's Hal Newhouse, twenty-nine-game winner of last year, is the youngest at 24, followed by Bill Voiselle, New York Giants, and Alva Javery, Boston Braves, each 26. Ken Raffensberger, of the Phillies, Allie Reynolds, of the Cleveland Indians, and Rex Cecil, of the Boston Red Sox, are 27.

Newsom leads in most opening day assignments, his start against the Senators tomorrow will be his eighth. He made his first in 1935 for the Browns and since has opened for the Senators, Tigers and Dodgers. Leonard, Derringer and Javery have made three and Winters, two. Voiselle hurled his first opener last year.

Although this will be Lee's twelfth season in the majors, it will be his first start. Donald, Ostermueller, Newsom, Jakucki, Donnelly, Cecil, Newhouse and Raffensberger will also make their opening day debut.

## Ridgeley, Keyser Trackmen Will Compete in Meet

Allegany and LaSalle Won't Take Part in Fort Ashby Carnival

BALTIMORE, April 16 (AP) — Simultaneous with the arrival of Pavot, 1944 two-year-old champion, for training at Pimlico, the Baltimore Evening Sun quoted "authoritative sources" today as saying the racing ban would be lifted as of May 10.

The Evening Sun story said these sources disclosed that War Mobilization Director Fred Vinson was expected to announce this week the "okay" for resumption of racing.

Pavot's arrival, and the decision by his handlers that he would go into training at once, lent credence to the report.

Vinson's predecessor, James F. Byrnes, said while in office he felt the ban should be lifted after V-E day.

Walter M. Jefford's colt, undefeated as a juvenile, would be a likely choice to take such major three-year-old events as the Preakness. His stable declared him out of the Kentucky derby last fall. Pavot arrived at Pimlico from the Glen Ridge farm at Berlin, Md.

John March's Free for All also was undefeated as a juvenile, but Pavot was top money winner with \$179,040, numbering among his victories the Belmont futurity, the Saratoga special and the Hopeful stakes.

Pimlico officials reported they hoped to run the Preakness the week after the Kentucky derby, in case the racing ban was lifted, and that more than 600 thoroughbreds now were stabled at the Old Hilltop.

Many of them arrived in the last month, but the biggest influx was in the last two weeks.

## Racing Report Finds No Foundation in Capital

WASHINGTON, April 16 (AP) — A report that the racing ban will be lifted this week, effective May 10, found no foundation here today.

Racing men admitted setting a specific date "would be helpful."

This latest report was given cognizance in a story in the Baltimore Evening Sun, quoting "an anonymous source" that the racing order was expected from Fred M. Vinson, director of war mobilization.

Vinson's office at the White House said there was "nothing new" on the situation and that "no statement or revocation indication of any kind" has been made.

Just before James F. Byrnes resigned as war mobilizer, he indicated that the racing restrictions would be removed V-E day.

Harry Parr, 3rd, Baltimore, president of the Thoroughbred Racing Association, representing most of the country's major tracks, said:

"There has been absolutely no hint from Washington as to when the ban will be lifted. We're having a series of guesses."

He added, however, that "it would be very helpful" if the government set a date for the resumption of racing since "no one knows how long it will be before the total defeat of Germany is accomplished."

**Coopers Will Be In Uniform Today**

ST. LOUIS, April 16 (AP) — Although the Cooper brothers, Mort and Walker, will be in uniform with the St. Louis Cardinals for Tuesday's opening National League game at Chicago they said tonight that the team to beat" in the American League.

The 82-year old "Mr. Baseball" in a radio broadcast, said Frank Hayes, who caught all 155 games for the Mackmen last year, will "go after Ray Muellie's two season record of 217 straight games."

"So there's no longer any truth to the rumor that I might have to start catching again myself," he added.

Mack recalled the first season he served as manager for the A's. "We had wooden stands that held perhaps 15,000 fans. Today more than twice as many are accommodated in the double-decked stands at Shibe park."

Col. Johnson, of the ODT, might be interested to know that when the first Athletics team traveled, the players slept two in a berth—and there was no war on then."

Asked whether there would be another golden age of sports after the war, Mack said "definitely. We had our biggest sport year after the last war. The boom ought to be even bigger after this one. x x x Believe me, I'm looking forward to it."

Manager Billy Southworth said Walker Cooper will catch in the opener with the Chicago Cubs and will bat fourth. Southworth previously announced he would start Blix Donnelly as pitcher.

The Cooper brothers over the weekend told Bredon they would quit baseball unless their contracts were revised to meet their new \$15,000 salary demands. They explained their change of heart today was "out of regard for the loyal St. Louis baseball fans" and upon the advice of Leslie O'Connor, chairman of baseball's advisory committee, and Lee J. Havener, their attorney.

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**Outdoor Boxing Will Return to New York**

NEW YORK, April 16 (AP) — Big-time out-of-door boxing will return to New York this summer. Promoter Mike Jacobs said today.

Ray (Sugar) Robinson, New York welterweight, will meet Jimmy McDaniel, of Los Angeles, in the Polo Grounds, home of the New York Giant baseball team, the night of June 15 in a ten rounder.

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**Arthur J. Thomas  
Marries Miss Ann  
Elizabeth Raupach**

**Couple Wed at United  
Brethren Church,  
Hagerstown**

By RUDOLPH NICKEL

FROSTBURG, April 16—Anouncement was made of the marriage of Coxswain Arthur J. Thomas, son of City Commissioner and Mrs. Arthur Thomas, this city, and Petty Officer 2-c Ann Elizabeth Raupach, Washington.

The wedding took place Monday, April 9, in the Emmanuel United Brethren church, Hagerstown, with the Rev. Paul E. Holdhaft officiating. The attendants were Sidney Green, this city, and Miss Ann Biers, Cumberland. Others attending the ceremony were Sgt. Harry Lancaster, Frostburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, Hagerstown. Following the marriage ceremony, a reception was held at the Candle Light Club.

The couple left Tuesday for a brief honeymoon in New York City where Thomas is attached to the USS Marine Fox. The bride returned Saturday to WAVE quarters, Washington.

Coxswain Thomas has been in the navy three years and has completely circled the globe. He has crossed and re-crossed the Atlantic nine times. His last voyage on the Marine Fox took him to Le Havre, France, Southampton and another port in England, returning to New York with a shipload of wounded men. Among the ships in the last convoy, according to letter from Coxswain Thomas to his parents, was the Frostburg Victory.

**Looted Over Weekend**

Three Frostburg business places were entered Saturday night or early Sunday morning by night prowlers. The Mechanic street entrance of the Young Men's Republican club was forced open by the thieves who evidently had a key to the second floor door which was opened without showing any marks of damage. A quantity of whiskey was taken and considerable cash, mostly silver coins, are missing.

Heskell's garage, East Main street, was also entered by prowlers who broke several panes of glass in a rear window and released the steel window sash which is suspended on hinges. A candy vending machine was torn from the wall of the show room of the garage, leaving a large patch of lathes exposed where the plastering gave way when the machine was pulled down.

Entrance was also gained to the Amoco service station, operated by Carl Storm, Eckhart Flat. The rascals were evidently frightened at the Amoco station when they stepped from the window frame on a tray of small tools which fell with a crash. In their hurry to escape, the robbers left a trail of blood on the window panes and the roof of the roof of the garage, now under construction.

Police are investigating the three robberies.

**Plan Festival**

Among the features of the music festival to be presented at Beall high school Friday evening, April 20, will be the appearance of the new a cappella choir which will render "All in an April Evening," "Send Out Thy Spirit" and "Old Man River."

Members of the choir, who have been rehearsing daily under direction of Miss Annetta Yates, promoter of the concert, are Amy Meek, Betty Engle, Olwen McMullan, Mary E. Comer, Anna Evans, LaVerne Layman, Dorothy Yates, Jack Hayes, Francis Lewis, "Skip" Uhl, James Powers, Martha Martin, Ida N. Watson, Mary L. Grose, Thomassine Gibson, Ruth Lemmert, Laurel Kreitzburg, Marianne Karlowa, Jerry Powers, John Workman, Robert Goldsworthy, Don Llewellyn and June Rodda.

An instrumental feature of the festival will be trumpet solo by John Workman, a member of the senior class and son of Mr. and Mrs. John Workman, West Main street. He will play "The Charmer" by Boos.

Numbers will also be rendered by an instrumental quartet and two glee clubs, one of boys and one of girls. The concert is being planned as the outstanding musical event of the school year.

**Conduct Memorial**

The students and faculty held a memorial program Friday evening in honor of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The numbers included the national anthem, and Chopin's funeral march; readings from Mr. Roosevelt's recent addresses; scripture reading and prayer; hymns and Handel's "Largo."

**Personals**

Miss Nellie Harvey, 72 Mt. Pleasant street, fell on the linoleum at her home Saturday evening and sustained a severe cut over her eye and severe injury to her back. She was taken to the Miners' hospital for an X-ray examination and later returned to her home.

Miss Goldie Price, Broadway, is home after spending two weeks visiting relatives in Ohio.

Mr. Philip Hartie, 148 Washington street, is home after being a patient for one month in the Church home and hospital, Baltimore.

The Rev. and Mrs. George L. Wehr, Broadway, are home after spending a week with relatives near York, Pa.

The Rev. H. O. Walters, acting pastor of First English Baptist church, East Main street, left for Baltimore Sunday evening to spend a week assisting in revival services being held under Baptist auspices.

Mr. James Weston, who has been residing at the Mayer residence, Maple street, since her return from Colorado, was received at Miners' hospital today.

Lou Wolfe, Boston, returned home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gerson. His wife remained a guest at the Gerson home.

Li. Milton Gerson, USN, is here on leave, the guest of his father, Morris Gerson, Bowery street. A his first furlough home in four years.

**Sgt. Scott Weds  
Miss Paulaskas**

**Ceremony Is Performed in  
Church Parsonage at  
Red House**

By HELEN COLLETT

PARSONS, W. Va., April 16—Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Mary Paulaskas, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Paulaskas, Thomas, to Sgt. Joseph Scott, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Scott, Pierce.

The single ring ceremony was performed in the parsonage of the St. Paul's Lutheran church, Red House, with the Rev. Alvah K. Jones, pastor of the church, officiating. Mrs. Vida Jones was the bride's only attendant.

The bride wore a street-length suit of navy blue with matching accessories. Mrs. Scott is a graduate of Thomas high school in the class of 1931.

Sgt. Scott entered the service three years ago and is now stationed in New Guinea.

**Name Instructors**

Mrs. R. E. Hiller, adult advisor, announced that the weekend institute for all youths in the Parsons sub-district between the ages of twelve to twenty-three will be held in the St. John's church, Parsons, starting Friday evening, April 27, continuing all day Saturday and closing with a banquet Saturday evening in the social room of the church.

Instructors for the institute will be Bruce Parrish, chairman of the world friendship committee from Buchanan; Brooks Davis, Parkersburg, assistant secretary of conference; and Donald Goff, Westport, conference vice president, and Carl Lee, Chinese student at West Virginia Wesleyan college, Buchanan.

Subjects will be "Worship," by Brooks Davis and Donald Goff; "My Father's World," by Carl Lee; "World Friendship," by Bruce Parrish, and "Recreation," by the Rev. Robert Hanson, Grantsville.

A special course "Working With Young People" will be given by Mrs. George C. Stratton, Davis.

**Elect Officers**

The Rev. Carl A. Tally, pastor of the First Baptist church, Parsons, was elected as president of the Parsons Ministerial Association at their meeting held in Parsons last week.

Other officers elected were: the Rev. Frank A. Johnson, pastor of the First Methodist church, vice president; the Rev. Harold D. Shiflet, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, secretary, and the Rev. R. E. Hiller, pastor of the St. John's Methodist church, treasurer.

**Celebrates Birthday**

J. Frank Robinson, Parsons, celebrated his eleventh birthday and his fifth year as a resident of Parsons Saturday.

He was born in Taylor county, where the dam is now located, April 14, 1885, the night that Abraham Lincoln was shot. He is a son of the late James William and Alice Strothers Robinson.

He was a lumberman in Elkinsville, Preston county and in Beverly, Randolph county, until he came to Parsons fifty years ago as a drayman. He helped to build the Tucker county court house in Parsons, later going into the grocery business with F. C. Baker now of

**Hold Special Assembly**

A special assembly meeting of the students of Barton high school was called by the principal, Gilbert C. Cooling last Friday, joined together to express the regret of the students and the faculty for the death of the late president.

The exercises included the singing of the National Anthem, the pledge of allegiance to the flag, the Lord's Prayer, readings and hymns.

Principal Gilbert C. Cooling delivered a brief eulogy on the life of the late president. The program closed with "America" and "Taps."

**Personals**

Mr. Doris L. Gibson and Lt. Eileen Kirkwood, ANC, returned to White Sulphur Springs after spending the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schramm, Lt. Gibson recently received word that her husband, Cpl. Robert Gibson, was now stationed somewhere in France.

Cpl. Royland Bailey spent the past weekend with his wife and parents here.

Pvt. Arthur Neat, Fort George G. Meade, and David Neat, coast guard, visited their parents over the past weekend.

Miss Leona Kyle, Baltimore, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Kyle, over the weekend.

**Personal Notes**

From Grantsville

**CHARLES L. BLUBAUGH  
IS NOW SERVING  
IN PHILIPPINES**

WITH THE FOURTEENTH ANTI-AIRCRAFT COMMAND IN THE PHILIPPINES — Technician Fifth Grade Charles L. Blubaugh, 22 Wrights Crossing, Frostburg Md., has completed three years of overseas duty and is now serving in the operations section of an anti-aircraft searchlight battalion in this area.

Nearly every minute of his time in the Southwest Pacific has been full of excitement. While in Australia his unit was in sections menaced by a Jap invasion threat; in New Guinea the enemy infiltrated and bombed lightly around their positions; and in the Philippines they were greeted by air raid sirens and enemy ground forces.

His combat duty entitles him to wear several service medals, among them being: Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal with two Combat Service Stars for participating in the New Guinea and East Indies campaigns; and the Philippines Liberation Medal, a presentation of the Philippine Commonwealth, also with a Combat Service Star attached. He is also eligible to wear the American Theatre Defense Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

Cpl. Blubaugh has met two relatives and one friend on foreign soil—a cousin, Pfc. James Bennett, in New Guinea; a nephew, Pfc. Melvan Porter of Zelma, Md.; and a Frostburg friend—Sgt. John F. Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Landes, South Petersburg, have received word from their daughter, Pfc. Goldie Landes, 24, that she is now located at the Richmond army air base, Richmond, Va. She enlisted May 21, 1944 and was first assigned for training at Oglethorpe, Ga., before being transferred to the present station. She was formerly employed at the City restaurant here.

Clement Clower, who is stationed in the army, spent the weekend here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Clower.

Mrs. Lucille Graham, Forman, and Mrs. Effie Kuhn, Bayard, will leave this week for Fort Knox, where they will visit their husbands who are located with the army there.

Mrs. Ray Smith and son have returned from Baltimore where they were visiting Pfc. Ray Smith and consulted a physician in regard to their son's health.

Earl Halterman who is stationed in the army is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Halterman, Laramie.

Jackie Bowman entertained a number of his friends at his home in honor of his sixth birthday.

Mrs. Virginia Lahman, Forman, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Holste.

Funeral services were held today at 1:30 p. m. in Akron, where she was buried. Dunn and Mrs. Elizabeth Dunn Alexander have gone to Akron to attend the funeral.

**Announce Marriage**

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Nicoll, Charlestown, announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty, to Cpl. Daw I. Miller, Edgewood. The wedding took place Wednesday, April 11, at Bel Air, Harford county, and the bridegroom's parents and relatives present. Mr. and Mrs. Purry Will were the witnesses.

Cpl. Miller was formerly from Barton before going into the service in 1942. He served overseas eighteen months and was wounded in action December 23, 1944. He was returned to the states March 11.

Mrs. Miller is employed at the Charlestown corporation. She will continue to reside with her parents in Charlestown.

**Lonaconing Briefs**

The James P. Love Unit No. 92, American Legion Auxiliary, will meet Wednesday evening, April 18. The James P. Love Post No. 92, American Legion, will meet at their headquarters Tuesday evening, April 17. The James P. Love Post has been invited to attend Frostburg Faraday Post's membership banquet.

A flu fire was extinguished Sunday morning at the Neff residence, Jackson street, by members of the Goodwill volunteer fire department No. 1. Slight damage was caused.

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By MRS. EVA B. BEACHY

GRANTSVILLE, April 6—Mrs. Olin Miller has been spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Harvey Hershberger, St. Paul, who has been very ill.

T-5 Lee Roy Shumaker, has returned from visiting relatives in Wyoming, Del., and is now with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmur Hummel, New Germany.

Miss Elizabeth Jane Beachy has returned to Washington, after coming for the funeral of her grandfather, Gilead Broadwater, Miss Gladys Caranahan and Mrs. Florence Broadwater Klotz accompanied her and will be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Chaney over the weekend.

Mrs. John Hanft is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Paul, and family, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Melvin Braden and children have returned to Washington after spending some time visiting her sister, Mrs. Melvin Stanton Bittner, and Mrs. Jora Frickie, Grantsville. Mrs. Kate Stanton accompanied for a visit.

Mrs. Robert Davis, Jr., and daughter, Cumberland, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. N. R. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barclay and James Reynolds, Johnstown, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller recently.

Lt. Franklin Beamer has been transferred from Lincoln, Neb., to Rapid City, S. D. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Margaret Gartner Beamer, and daughter.

Mrs. Vilda Ginderich Frank Frostburg, visited friends in Grantsville.

Gerson has been serving as a legal officer in the Southwest Pacific for twenty months.

Mrs. Lou Landis Davis, Ormond street, received word that her husband, William Davis, serving in the Philippines, has been promoted to corporal. He is attached to the Forty-fourth general hospital. Before being inducted, Cpl. Davis was employed as a chemist at the Cebuane plant.

Pvt. Bernard Bush, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bush, 144 Mechanics street, who has been in the army for seven years, is home on a thirty-day furlough, after serving for thirty-two months overseas. This former Cumberland attorney, Lt.

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## Sgt. D. W. Sloan, Pvt. Ray Schmutz Killed in Action

Former Lost Life in Germany; Latter Died in Battle of Luzon



War on two widely separated fronts has cost the lives of two more Cumberland young men, according to telegrams received yesterday from the War department by their parents.

Pvt. Ray Schmutz, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Schmutz, of 811 Braddock road, was reported killed in action on Luzon in the Philippines March 2.

Staff Sgt. David William Sloan, Jr., 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Sloan, 609 Sedgewick street, was killed in Germany on April 6.

Pvt. Schmutz was serving with the First Infantry of the Sixth Army in the Philippines at the time of his death. He had been hospitalized twice since arriving in the Pacific war theater due to a recurrence of a former back injury.

### Starred in Athletics

A graduate of LaSalle high school in June, 1943, Pvt. Schmutz was one of the school's outstanding athletes, having starred as forward on Blue and Gold basketball teams in 1941, 1942 and 1943 and as regular catcher of the school's baseball team for several seasons. He entered the armed service on October 6, 1943, four months after being graduated from LaSalle, and after training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and sailed overseas March 10, 1944. He was first hospitalized for a back injury shortly after he arrived on a South Pacific Island April 10, 1944.

Besides his parents he is survived by one sister, Miss Mary Schmutz, at home. Pvt. Schmutz's father is associated with the well known local insurance firm of Schmutz, Vandegrift and Welch.

### Left College To Enlist

Staff Sgt. Sloan was serving with the Two Hundred and Nineteenth Infantry of the Ninth army at the time of his death in Germany.

A graduate of Allegany high school class of 1940, where he took an active part in dramatics and debates, Sgt. Sloan was a junior at Washington and Jefferson college, Washington, Pa., when he enlisted in the armed forces in January, 1943. During his sophomore year at W. & J. he was elected to the class honorary society.

Prior to sailing overseas in October, 1944, Sgt. Sloan received his training at Fort Belvoir, Va., participated in the Army Specialized Training Program at an engineering school in Potsdam, N. Y., and was stationed at camps in Louisiana and Port Knox, Ky.

Sgt. Sloan saw action during the bitter fighting in the Belgian bulge and the Colmar pocket prior to the Allied advance into Germany.

### Brother Is on Okinawa

Besides his parents he is survived by one brother, Staff Sgt. John W. "Red" Sloan, of the United States Marine Corps, who is now on Okinawa Island in the Pacific war theater. Sgt. Sloan's father is a well known local attorney.

### SERVICEMAN ASKS DIVORCE FROM WIFE HELD IN PRISON

Suit for an absolute divorce was filed in circuit court yesterday by Clarence E. Wright, now serving in the army, against Mrs. Betty Lillian Wright, who was sentenced to a federal reformatory for illegally receiving allotment checks from other servicemen she married according to Edward J. Ryan, Wright's attorney.

Wright, who has been in the army more than two years, and his wife, the former Betty Lillian Pike, were married December 8, 1943, while he was stationed at Camp Maxie, Tex. He went overseas a short time later.

Ryan said Mrs. Wright was sentenced to the federal reformatory for women at Alderson, W. Va., last February 15 on the allotment check charge.

Suit for divorce from William M. Kreger, Valley street, was filed yesterday by Mrs. Laura V. Kreger who asks permission to resume use of her maiden name. They were married June 15, 1930, and have two children, according to her attorney, William E. McHugh. Mrs. Kreger asks their custody, Chief Judge William A. Hunter ordered Kreger to pay his wife \$70 monthly during the litigation.

Mrs. Ann Jane Friend has withdrawn a divorce action against her son, S. Friend, which was filed March 22, Estel C. Kelley is her attorney.

Mrs. Hazel Folk has filed a cross-bill of complaint to the divorce action of her husband, Carl Folk, filed April 3. Morgan C. Harris is her attorney and Ryan represents Folk.

### Local News in Brief

Robert Moses "Lefty" Grove, of Lonaconing, retired major league pitcher, will show baseball and hunting moving pictures at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Cumberland Lions Club tomorrow at 12:15 p. m. in the Central YMCA. George Sellers is program chairman.

West Side Fire Company No. 3 was called to the home of Rudy C. Sullivan, 131 Paca street, yesterday at 3:12 a. m. when a pair of curtains and blinds on a first floor room of the home caught fire. There was no other damage, firemen said. The same company extinguished a blaze Sunday at 12:30 p. m. when a short circuit caused a fire in the automobile of John Creegan, parked in front of 13 South Allegany street.

Earl Edward Smith, 48, of 132 Mary street, was in a "weaker" condition last evening in Allegany hospital where he was admitted Thursday suffering from a possible fracture of the skull as a result of a fall down an elevator shaft at the C. D. Kenny Company warehouse. His condition has been considered very critical.

## Task of Sorting Clothing Collected In Drive Begins

### Union Members and Scouts Begin Job; Meeting Set Tonight

Twenty Boy Scouts and ten union members yesterday began the tremendous job of sorting an estimated 24,000 pounds of clothing donated last week by Cumberland residents to the United National Clothing Collection drive and collected Sunday from twenty depots throughout the city.

The union members, representing Local 1874, Textile Workers Union of America, Local 26, United Rubber Workers of America, and Local 40, United Laundry Workers, started the job at 4 p. m. and worked until about 6:30 o'clock.

Scouts from Troop 1, St. Luke's Lutheran church, and Troop 7, sponsored by the Rotary club at Lindenvale school, took over about 8 p. m.

### Pile Still Large

Although they sorted a considerable amount of clothing, their efforts made scarcely a dent in the huge pile of apparel stored in the Footer building.

The sorting job will be continued throughout the week with the Navy Mothers' club scheduled to begin work at 9 o'clock this morning. On Wednesday, the Women's Civic club, in charge of Mrs. William A. Douglas, will handle the task.

Fifty women have agreed to assist on Wednesday and they will work in three shifts, the first from 9 a. m. to noon, the second from 1 to 4 p. m., and the third from 7 to 10 p. m.

### Sort in Six Groups

On Wednesday, April 25, the Women's Civic club again will handle the sorting task and on this date will be directed by Mrs. L. B. Matthews.

Clothing is being sorted in six groups—infants under 3, children from 3 to 9, girls' and women's, boys' and men's, shoes, bedding and usable remnants at least one yard in length.

While sorting has gotten off to a good start, Mayor Thomas S. Post, general campaign chairman and John C. Liakos, sorting committee chairman, reported that additional cartons are needed for the Footer building.

### Meeting Tonight

At 7:30 o'clock tonight the clothing drive's executive committee will meet in the mayor's office in city hall with chairman of the various sub-committees to discuss progress of the campaign to date.

Officials of the campaign said again last night that all residents who have clothing to donate to the drive should take it to one of the twenty schools and fire stations in the city serving as depots.

### MRS. WILLIAM WARN

FROSTBURG, April 16.—Mrs. William Warn, 67, the former Miss Lillie Wilderman of Frostburg died this evening at her home, 116 West Main street, Homestead, Pa., after a brief illness.

Besides her husband, also a former resident of this place, she is survived by one son, Melvin, at home; one daughter, Mrs. Jack Walters, Homestead; three brothers, William and Elmer Wilderman, both of Frostburg, and Edward, Akron, Ohio, and five sisters, Mrs. John Taylor, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Julia McGuire and Miss Olive Wilderman, both of Frostburg, and Mrs. Annie Henahay and Mrs. Blanche Lowe, both of Cumberland.

She was a member of the Methodist church. Arrangements are incomplete.

### CHARLES BOOGES RITES

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home, 321 Pennsylvania avenue, for Charles Holliday Boggs, 18 who died Friday.

The Rev. J. Edgar Walter, pastor of Bethel Evangelical church, officiated. Interment was in Mt. Olive Methodist cemetery, near Oldtown.

Pallbearers were Robert Sturtz, Edward Sturtz, George Long, Charles Hull, Chester Boggs and Jesse Boggs.

### MRS. RAY S. BOYD

Funeral services for Mrs. Ray S. Boyd, 71, who died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Thomas A. Frazer, 400 Decatur street, yesterday morning, will be conducted Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the McCormick funeral home, Connellsville.

A native of Connellsville, she was a daughter of the late Joseph W. and Anna Gilmore Stallwagon.

She is also survived by four other sisters, Mrs. Josephine Meranda, Connellsville; Mrs. Mayme McFerren, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. P. J. Collins, Morgantown, W. Va., and Mrs. P. R. James, Westfield, N. J.

### LEO T. DOWNEY RITES

Funeral services were conducted yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in St. Patrick's Catholic church for Leo T. Downey, Sr., 60, of 331 Aviret Avenue, district engineer of the Maryland State Roads Commission, who died suddenly Friday afternoon.

The Rev. Francis J. McKeown, assistant pastor, was the celebrant of the requiem mass. The Rev. Charles W. Bogan and the Rev. Thomas J. Hardisty, assistant pastor of the church, and the Rev. Robert Kilgannon, pastor of St. Anthony's church, Ridgeley, were the officiating priests.

Reports from the twenty-four companies in the two-county association indicate an attendance of about 600 men.

Wilson will preside as toastmaster. Joseph Shuhart, Barton, is chairman of arrangements for the affair.

### Ezra B. Whitman, chairman, and Wilson T. Ballard, engineer, headed a large delegation of state roads commission workers who attended the service.

Among others attending were Attorney General William C. Walsh, Rep. J. Glenn Beall, Julian Downey and Mrs. Edward H. Weiners both of Alexandria, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Ned Waters and daughter, Marie, Berwyn Heights; Miss Julie Downey and Miss Jane O'Brien, Rochester, N. Y. Williams is program chairman.

### MRS. HIPSLEY RITES

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Etta Hipsley, 78, widow of William B. Hipsley, 755 Cleveland Avenue, who died Friday evening in Memorial hospital, were conducted yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock in Marvin chapel.

The Rev. W. T. Gover officiated and was assisted by the Rev. Floyd Gotgen, minister. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Robert Walters, Lee Chaney, John Fiore, Arthur Beall, W. J. Cain and Charles H. Wilson.

### Committee To Meet

Local 1874, Textile Workers Union, will hold a general committee meeting tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in Textile hall, William E. Meagher, president, announced yesterday.

### Sgt. Clayton A. Rankin Is Seriously Wounded

Staff Sgt. Clayton A. Rankin, husband of Mrs. Leona LaRue Rankin, 34 Mechanic street, Frostburg, was seriously wounded in the Philippines February 27, according to notification.

Sgt. Rankin, the father of a year-old son whom he has never seen, was sent overseas last April.

Three brothers are in the service—Sgt. John T. Rankin, Kentucky; Daniel Rankin, Germany, and Pvt. Walter Lee Rankin, Florida.

The resolution, in the form of a letter to the mayor declared a large part of the children remain unprovided for. The labor organization demanded that all and "not merely the favored minority" have play-



**CLOTHING FOR THE NEEDY**—John C. Liakos, (left), chairman of the sorting committee, and Mayor Thomas S. Post, general chairman of the United National Clothing Collection drive here, are pictured above examining some of the clothing donated by Cumberland Residents last week for the suffering people of liberated, war-stricken countries. An estimated 24,000 pounds of clothing was collected Sunday and the task of sorting it was started last night at the Footer building, central storage house for the drive.

## Arthur L. Boyd's Father To Receive Son's Decoration

## Mr. and Mrs. John Liakos Learn Of Deaths of Relatives in Greece

## Sgt. L. S. Hilleary Missing in Action Over Yugoslavia

All bad news was received by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Liakos, 410 North Mechanic street, in the first word they have received from his sister, Mrs. Koliros Stamou, of Volos, Greece, in four years.

A card received Wednesday informed Mr. and Mrs. Liakos of the death of his brother and brother-in-law and her father, brother and sister. Another of Mrs. Liakos' sisters and her two children were reported to be held in Germany as slave laborers.

The citations are:

**Bronze Star Medal** — "For heroic achievement in combat on June 10, 1944, in x x x. While patrolling the area to the front of the First Battalion, the Special Platoon was caught in a concentration of mortar and machine gun fire and was pinned down by the numerically superior force. Private First Class Boyd immediately volunteered to escort the enemy position, while the remainder of his platoon waited in a relatively safe place. He crossed a clearing and crawled along a stone wall to a vantage point which overlooked the position. Constantly harassed by the hostile fire, he returned to his platoon and reported the location of the emplacement. Then, with five men and his platoon leader, he attacked the position, killed several enemy soldiers and captured three prisoners."

**Commission** — "For exceptionally meritorious conduct from May 28 to June 7, 1944, in Italy. Private First Class Boyd was a member of a combat platoon that attacked and eliminated an enemy artillery observation post that menaced the division. Valuable records and equipment, including telephones, optical instruments and other items were captured. During the days following the platoon patrolled, helped fight off attacks, and helped evacuate wounded under heavy fire. While spearheading an attack by the battalion they captured fifty-six enemy and killed six. As a result of the brave actions of Private First Class Boyd and his comrades, movement of the battalion and regiment was accomplished with negligible casualties."

The adjutant general stated that the commendation does not represent the award of any individual decoration or medal.

Maj. Gen. Ulio said the decoration will be forwarded to the commanding general. Third Service Command, Baltimore, will select an officer to make the presentation.

The officer selected will communicate with Mr. Boyd concerning the latter's wishes in the matter.

Prior to entering the service, Pfc. Arthur L. Boyd worked with his father at the carpenter trade and was employed in the dairy farm of A. Mason.

Boyd will be promoted to first sergeant.

He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Silver Star.

Second Lt. Ralph L. Bowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Bowers, 659 Fayette street, was wounded in Germany, February 22, according to a telegram received yesterday by his parents from the War department.

In a message received by friends on March 4, an announcement was made that Bowers had been awarded the Purple Heart medal and that he had been promoted to first sergeant.

Lt. Bowers was connected with an anti-aircraft unit and has seen service at Cherbourg, Caen, Aachen, St. Lo and Bastogne.

A former football star at Allegany high school, where he was graduated in 1942, Lt. Bowers entered the service in February, 1943, during his freshman year at Albright college, Reading, Pa. He served in England, Scotland and Wales prior to the invasion of France in June, 1944.

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The suit of the Harrisburg Daily News, against the Potomac Produce Company, city, represented by Morgan C. Harris, is scheduled for hearing in circuit court today.

The action followed a dispute over the sale of potatoes last year by the Pennsylvania firm. OPA price regulation figures in the litigation, Clarence Shutter represents the plaintiff.

The petit jury was excused yesterday when a number of scheduled civil cases were settled or continued.

The damage action of Clyde Blinn Morse, Cumberland, against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company will be removed to Washington county circuit court.

A judgment of \$500 for the plaintiff was entered prior to trial yesterday in the suit of Nellie Bonner, administratrix of the Guy N. Orndorf estate, against James Marshall Hardin.

Three civil cases, brought by Leo Pike, Virgil W. Ziler and Harry May, claiming back wages for overtime work, against the Imperial Ice Cream Company were postponed at the request of counsel until bills of particulars are filed.

Because of the illness of F. Brooke Whiting, counsel for the defense, the suit of Russell Uhl against the late Benjamin Wahlgord and others was continued.

The suit of William J. Donahue against the Consolidation Coal Company is slated for settlement.

The labor-management committee will attend the encampment for the vast majority of loyal workers.